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AMENDMENT PURSUANT TO 37 CFR § 1.116 (b)

Sir:

This Amendment under MPEP §714.14 (*Ex Parte Quayle* 1935 C.D. 11, 453 O. G. 213 practice) is submitted in response to the Office Action dated September 19, 2006, which set a shortened statutory period of one month, making any response due by October 19, 2006. Prosecution on the merits in the above referenced case has been closed. Claims 11-16 and 26-35 are allowed. Claims 1-10 and 17-25, previously withdrawn as drawn to non-elected species, remain active in the Application. In accordance with 37 CFR § 1.116(b) after an action closing prosecution, amendments may be made canceling claims or complying with any requirement of form expressly set forth in a previous Office Action.

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Amendments to the Specification - NONE

Amendments to the Claims: Claims 1-10 and 17-25 are cancelled by this action. The claims as presented in this case are reflected in the listing of claims, which begins on page 3 of this paper.

Amendments to the Drawings - NONE

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 6 of this paper.

An Appendix – NONE